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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

According to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)

Sir:

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- (3) the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits.

REMARKS

The attached PTO 1449 form lists the following related art references identified in the search report, copy of which is enclosed herewith.

AA U.S. Patent 5,315,588
AE European reference EP 0775 958

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Articles:

AM Bih-Hwang LEE, "A Performance Study on Frame Relay and ATM Interworking Unit and Its Applications: Connectionless Data Service and VPN", IEICE Trans. Communication, Vol. E80-B, No. 6, June 1997, XP-000723073, pages 948-961.

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AN Rathgeb, Wallmeier, ATM Infrastruktur für die Hochleistungskommunikation, page 79; pages 269-271.

Explanation of Relevance

References AA, AE and AM are referenced in the International Search Report, copy enclosed herewith. Reference AN is referenced in the specification of the present application, so no further commentary concerning its teachings is necessary.

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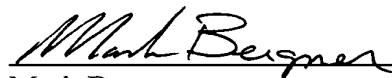
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